

**REMARKS**

Claims 26-28, 30-35, 37, 38, 40-48, and 57-64 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 65-150 have been newly added. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

Claims 26-28, 30-35, 37, 38, 40-48, and 57-64 previously stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by International Patent Application No. 97/35438 to Denyar et al. ("Denyar '438") or under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Denyar in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,091,851 ("Acharya"), U.S. Patent No. 5,990,946 ("Sakurai"), and/or WO 97/20434 ("Denyar '434"). Applicant respectfully submits that the currently pending claims are not anticipated by or rendered obvious from the previously cited prior art.

Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance and requests examination and allowance of the newly added claims.

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